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Dear Madam:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE SUBMITTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

In response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2008 (herein "the Office Action"), Applicants hereby submit the following Response along with a Request for Continued Examination. Amendments herein comply with the requirements expressly set forth in the Office Action. Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of this Response.

Applicants also submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time of three (3) months and fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) for the period extending from November 20, 2008 up to and including February 20, 2009. Applicants believe no additional fees are due with this Response, but if Applicants are in error please charge any fees due or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 03-1721, referencing Attorney Docket No. 2006571-0003.

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